NWS Tampa Bay Assists in Teaching Boating Safety Course

On Monday, December 8th, meteorologist Mike Cantin spent the evening with students taking part in a boating safety course taught by the Citrus County Power Squadron. The course is taught over 10 weeks and includes an intensive weather section. Cantin was called in to assist teaching the weather portion of the course. An in-depth look at the safety products and services provided by your National Weather Service office in Ruskin, general boating safety tips, and signs of hazardous weather were included in the presentation. In addition, the group had a plethora of questions regarding local weather, meteorology in general, and many other topics.

If you are new to boating and would like to take a well structured course on boating safety, look no further than your local Power Squadron. A list of the squadrons can be found at this link: http://www.usps.org/localusps/squadrons.shtml. An on-line boating course is also available from the State of Florida at: http://www.boat-ed.com/fl/index.htm.

Your National Weather Service office in Ruskin provides daily forecasts, outlooks, observations, hazards information, and many other options for you to keep you safe while on the water. You can find many of these resources on our webpage at:

http://www.srh.noaa.gov/tbw/TampaBayMarineWeather.htm and a meteorologist can always be reached by calling 813-645-2323.

